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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR) Art Unit:)
ALTERNATIVE WIRING USING PRE-) 2825)
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Sir:

I hereby declare unequivocally that the inventorship of the present patent application is correct, and that the present inventors of the present application (WU and FAN) were the sole inventors of the subject matter disclosed in (and were two of the co-authors of) the technical articles "A Fast Graph-Based Alternative Wiring Scheme for Boolean Networks", by Y.L WU, W. LONG and H.B. FAN, from the year 2000, which were cited by the Examiner in rejecting claims from the present application, and which were provided to the Patent Office in an Information Disclosure Statement dated January 22, 2003.

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